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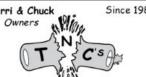
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The Solemnity of the Dedication of the Lateran Basilica November 9th, 2025

MASS SCHEDULE

MONDAY - St. Leo the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

12:05 PM - Tammi Winski

(Reg. by Jim and Eileen Winski) *Rescheduled from 10-27-25*

TUESDAY -**Veterans Day** NO MASS

WEDNESDAY - St. Josaphat, Bishop and Martyr NO MASS

THURSDAY - St. Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin

12:05 PM -Helene Balaausz

> (Reg. by Thiemy & Brigette Oberle) *Rescheduled from 11-5-25*

FRIDAY -**Weekday in Ordinary Time**

12:05 PM -Dominick Lecci (Reg. by Jeno Lecci)

Followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

SATURDAY - Vigil of 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

4:00 PM -**Pro Populo**

SUNDAY -33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 AM -**Kevin Cyburt**

(Rea. by Marian and George)

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Rectory Office Hours: Monday through Friday, 9:00AM - 3:00PM

IN LOVING MEMORY: The Sanctuary Lamp is available for your intentions by calling the parish office. Please attempt to request your intentions as early as possible. A \$10 donation is sugaested.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE: Confessions are heard from 6:30 until 7:00 PM on Wednesday Evenings. DURING THE JUBILEE YEAR, CONFESSIONS WILL BE HEARD FROM 3:00 PM until 3:40 PM THE FIRST SATUR-DAY OF EVERY MONTH. Confession may ALWAYS be arranged with Fr. John personally by calling the rectory office. Please avail yourselves to this lifeaivina sacrament!

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE: Scheduled no less than **nine months** prior to the date of marriage. Four preparation sessions with the pastor, as well as all diocesan requirements, must be met. All Catholic candidates for Marriage must be registered, practicing members of a parish at least 6 months prior to scheduling the wedding. THERE ARE NO EX-CEPTIONS.

INFANT BAPTISM: Baptisms are generally celebrated during one of the Sunday Liturgies. Prebaptismal instructions must be completed by the parents at least 3 weeks prior to the celebration of the sacrament. Catholic godparents must obtain a letter of eligibility from their pastors four weeks in advance. Baptisms are never celebrated during the Season of Lent.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Celebrated after any Sunday Mass as requested and as a parish during the Faster Season.

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION: Every Wednesday and Friday following Mass.

MEMBERSHIP: Forms are located on the back page of the bulletin (or on the parish website) to be filled out and sent to the parish. Registrations are also welcome by phone.

\$\$ INCOME \$\$\$ Collection - November 2, 2025

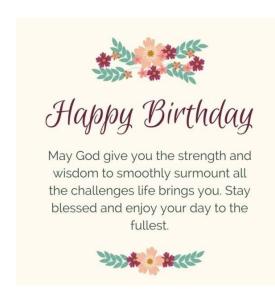
Loose Money	\$234.00
Sunday Collection	\$2982.00
All Saints Day	\$628.00
All Souls' Day	\$696.00
Learning Lamp Rent - Nov	\$3800.00
Parking Lot Rent	\$210.00

TOTAL: \$8550.00

Let us continue to pray for the members of our parish community who serve in the military, as well as for the sick, elderly and homebound members of our parish especially:

Anonymous Petitioners, Pat Balagusz, John Bair, Ralph Blair, David Clark, Ronald Cleaver, Dolores Danner, Francis Dietz, Dorothy Fisher, Barbara Fox, Paul Harnish, Catherine Heinlein, Mary Carol Hill and children, Donna Johnson, Gianna Kniss, Karen Kohan, Betsy Konar, Marylee Konicky, Madeleine Krueger, Dick Krumenacker, Gaile Krumenacker, Victoria Leflie, Michael Letzo, Joanne Macri, Patricia Mainhart, Marianne Mangiafico, Pat Meagher, Myla Minner, Pauline Molchany, Larry Oravetz, Anna Petro, Francis Petro, Jean Petroro, Maria Petro-Sanders, Mia Bella Rastall, Stacy Roberts, Sean Rovan, Stephen Sanders, Jennifer Schellhammer, Rose Sigg, Allegra Slick, Father John Slovikovski, Shirley Slovikovski, Ken Turner, Megan Varmecky, Carrie Young

<u>Please join us in remembering members of our parish family who celebrate their birthdays the week of November 10th to November 16th:</u>



Russell Grunza Charlie Tourney Roy Horner Jr.

Called By Name - Bishop Bartchak is asking us to identify faithful young men (ages 15-30's) who exhibit qualities of leadership and service, and who may be open to learning more about the priesthood. The Bishop's letter will be included as a bulletin insert and the cards to fill out are attached to your bulletin as well. To submit names, please visit ajvocations.org/calledbyname. Men you submit will receive a letter of encouragement from Bishop Bartchak, invitations to discernment events, and support from our Vocation Team. Thank you for your participation in this important campaign!

I personally and genuinely continue to implore you to SERI-

OUSLY CONSIDER SOME EXTRA TIME WITH THE LORD

THIS WEEK. We always pray the rosary Saturday evening at approximately 3:30 PM prior to Mass as well as every Tuesday at 6:00 PM. On Wednesdays, Mass is celebrated at 5:30 PM followed by Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament until 6:30 PM. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament also occurs on Friday following the 12:05 PM Mass until 1:30 PM. We also pray the litany of St. Joseph since Wednesday is dedicated to him as the patron of the Universal Church. Remember the parish intention for the rosary is for Fr. John's health, however, personal intentions for the Rosary and adoration are your own. BOTH OF THESE PRACTICES HAVE THE POTENTIAL TO CHANGE YOUR LIFE!! A VISITATION WITH OUR LORD PRESENT IN THE BLESSED SACRAMENT IS NEARLY A PERFECT FORM OF PRAYER AND CAN

TIME IS TICKING FOR THE TURKEY RAFLLE!!!

HELP YOU TO BELIEVE THAT WITH

GOD ALL THINGS ARE POSSIBLE!!!

Our annual Turkey Raffle is scheduled for Saturday, November 15th, 2025 at the Visitation school gymnasium. THIS IS MERELY ONE WEEK AWAY!!! Once again, we are calling upon your generosity for various items that are required to make our event a success: Lottery tickets, Gift cards for the Neighborhood Gifts collage, and Spirits - Basket of Cheer (State store gift cards are also welcome). Thank you for your generosity.

As always, we are also need volunteers to work the Turkey Raffle (kitchen workers, raffle ticket sales, runners for prizes and



turkey drawings). Sign-up sheets can be found in the main vestibule of the Church. Please know that families who benefit from the parish's financial assistance for Catholic Education are encouraged to come forward in good faith. Also, know that we are in need of young persons as volunteers, especially for "running the turkeys." Know that your assistance is GREATLY appreciated. We need every-

one's help in every regard to make this NECESSARY fundraiser a success.

From Pontiff to Pew:

During last **Sunday's Angelus**, Pope Leo XIV reflected upon the great mysteries of eternal life, present to us during the first days of this month:

In these first days of November, the resurrection of the

crucified Jesus from the dead sheds light on the destiny of each one of us. For he told us: "This is the will of him who sent me, that I should lose nothing of all that he has given me, but raise it up on the last day" (Jn 6:39). Thus, the focus of God's concerns is clear: that no one should perish forever and that everyone should have their own place and radiate their unique beauty. This is the mystery that we celebrated yesterday on the Solemnity of All Saints: a communion of differences that, so to speak, extends God's life to all his daughters and sons who wish to share in it. It is the desire written in the heart of every human being, a longing for recognition, attention and joy. As Pope Benedict XVI explained, the expression "eternal life" gives a name to this insuppressible expectation: not a succession of time without end, but being so immersed in an ocean of infinite love that time, before, and after no longer exist. This fullness of life and joy in Christ is what we hope for and await with all our being (cf. Encyclical Letter Spe Salvi, 12). Today's Commemoration of All the Faithful Departed brings this mystery even closer to us. Indeed, each time that death seems definitively to take away a voice, a face or an entire world, interiorly we understand God's concern that no one perish. In fact, each person is an entire world. Today, then, is a day that challenges the human memory, so precious and yet so fragile. Without the memory of Jesus - of his life, death and resurrection - the immense treasure of daily life risks being forgotten. In the mind of Jesus, however, even those whom no one remembers, or whom history seems to have erased, always remain in their infinite dignity. Jesus, the rock which the builders rejected, is now the cornerstone (cf. Acts 4:11). That is the Easter proclamation. For this reason, Christians always remember the deceased in every Eucharist, and still today ask that those dear to them be remembered in the Eucharistic Prayer. From this proclamation arises the hope that no one will perish. May visiting the cemetery, where silence interrupts the hustle and bustle of life, invite us all to remember and to wait in hope. As we say in the Creed: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come." Let us commemorate, therefore, the future, for we are not enclosed in the past or in sentimental tears of nostalgia. Neither are we sealed within the present, as in a tomb. May the familiar voice of Jesus reach us, and reach everyone, because it is the only one that comes from the future. May he call us by name, prepare a place for us, free us from that sense of helplessness that tempts us to give up on life. May Mary, the woman of Holy Saturday, teach us once again to hope.

This week, during his **Wednesday Audience**, Pope Leo continued his reflections in the Resurrection of Christ. They are found below in their entirety:

Dear brothers and sisters, good morning, and welcome to you all! The Pasch of Jesus is an event that does not belong to a distant past, now settled into tradition like so many other episodes in human history. The Church teaches us to make a living remembrance of the Resurrection every year on Easter Sunday and every day in the Eucharistic celebration, during which the promise of the risen Lord is most fully realized: "Lo, I am with you always, to the close of the age" (Mt 28:20).

Hour by hour, we have so many different experiences: pain, suffering, sadness, intertwined with joy, wonder, serenity. But through every situation, the human heart longs for fullness, a profound happiness. A great twentieth-century philosopher, Saint Teresa Benedicta of the Cross, born Edith Stein, who delved deeply into the mystery of the human person, reminds us of this dynamism of the constant search for fulfilment. "'The human being", she writes, "always longs to have being given to him anew, so that he can draw on what the moment gives him and at the same time takes away from him" (Finite and Eternal Being: An Attempt to Ascend to the Meaning of Being", Rome 1998, 387). We are immersed in limitation, but we also strive to surpass it.

The Paschal proclamation is the most beautiful, joyful and overwhelming news that has ever resounded in all of history. It is the quintessential "Gospel", which attests to the victory of love over sin and of life over death, and this is why it is the only thing capable of satisfying the demand for meaning that troubles our minds and our hearts. Human beings are inspired by an inner movement, striving towards a beyond that continually attracts them. No contingent reality satisfies us. We tend towards the infinite and the eternal. This contrasts with the experience of death, anticipated by suffering, loss, and failure. As Saint Francis sings, "nullu homo vivente po skampare" ("no living man can escape") from death (cf. Canticle of the Sun).

Everything changes thanks to that morning when the women had gone to the tomb to anoint the body of the Lord, and found it empty. The question posed by the Magi who came from the East to Jerusalem: "Where is he who has been born king of the Jews?" (Mt 2:1-2), finds its definitive answer in the words of the mysterious youth dressed in white, who speaks to the women at Easter dawn: "You seek Jesus of Nazareth, who was crucified. He has risen, he is not here" (Mk 16:6).

From that morning until today, every day, Jesus will also have this title: the Living One, as He presents himself in Revelation: "I am the First and the Last, and the Living One: I died, and behold I am alive for evermore" (Rev 1:17-18). And in Him, we have the assurance of always being able to find the lodestar towards which we can direct our seemingly chaotic lives, marked by events that often appear confusing, unacceptable, incomprehensible: evil in its many forms, suffering, death, events that affect each and every one of us. Meditating on the mystery of the Resurrection, we find an answer to our thirst for meaning.

Faced with our fragile humanity, the Paschal proclamation becomes care and healing, nourishing hope in the face of the frightening challenges that life presents us with every day on a personal and global level. In the perspective of Easter, the Via Crucis, the Way of the Cross, is transfigured into the Via Lucis, the Way of Light. We need to savour and meditate on the joy after the pain, to retrace in the new light all the stages that preceded the Resurrection. Easter does not eliminate the cross, but defeats it in the miraculous duel that changed our human history. Even our time, marked by so many crosses, invokes the dawn of Paschal hope.

(Continued on the bulletin insert.)